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AMENDMENT "A" UNDER RULE 111 AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
(In Response to 3/07/05 Office Action)

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment "A" is being filed in response to the Office action dated March 7, 2005. The three month shortened statutory period for responding to the Office action expired on June 7, 2005. Accordingly, Applicant hereby requests and petitions that the period for response be extended for two months to August 8, 2005 since August 7 is a Sunday. Please charge the \$450 fee for this two month extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 050877.

- **Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper**
- **Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.**

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